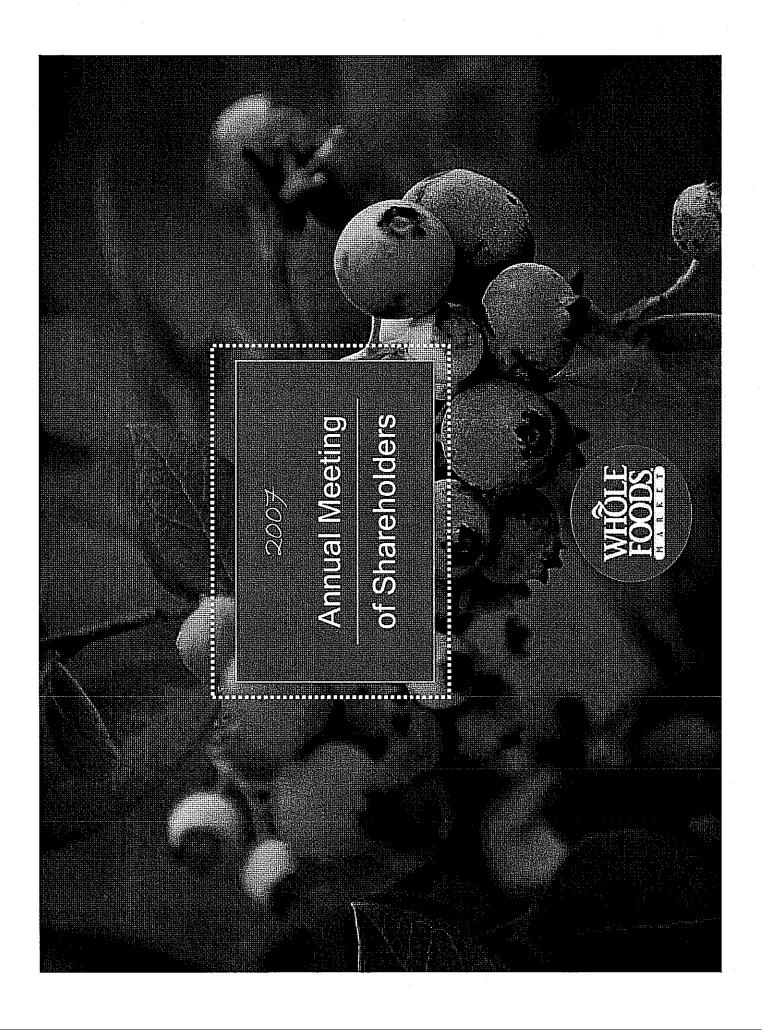
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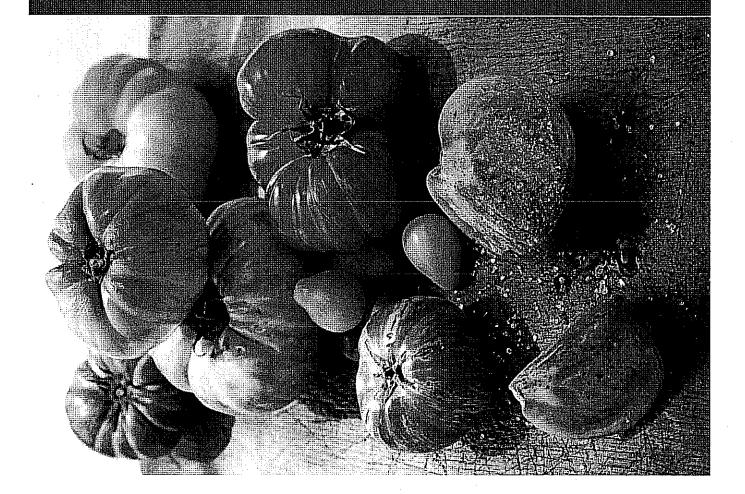
Safe Harbor Statement

tigation reform act of 1995. Except for the historical information contained herein, The following constitutes a "Safe "larbor" statement under the private securities the matters discussed in this presentation are forward-looking statements that myolye isks and uneeralinies whier could cause our actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements.

detalled from time to time in the CompaniVSSEC reports, including the reports on These risks include but are not limited to general business conditions, the timely Form 10-k for the fiscal year ended September 24, 2006. In addition to those risks, there are risks and uncertainties associated with the tender Include itsks that the transaction will not be consummated on the terms or tineline offer made by the Company for Wild Oats Markets' common stock. Those risks first announced. Further information concerning those risks are included in the Company's filings with the SEC in response to the tender offer.

The Company does not undertake any obligation to update forward looking

- World's leading natural & organic foods supermarket
- 31% CAGR in sales since IPO • Fiscal 2006 sales of \$5.6
 - billion
- Currently 192 stores in 32 states, Canada, & U.K.
- 42,000 Team Members
- Member of S&P 500 and Nasdag-100 indices
- #449 of the Fortune 500
- 5th most valuable U.S. public food retailer after Wal-mart, Kroger, Safeway & Supervalu



By growing the collective pie, we create larger slices for all of communities and the environment while ereating value for all Our Core Values reflect this sense of collective fate and are our eusiomers, Team Members, shareholders, vendors Our "bottom line" ultimately depends on our ability to Our goal is to balance the needs and desires of satisiy all of our stakeholders. the soul of our company. our stakeholders.